



ERSKINE  
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

## FALL TERM 2023 (MASTER'S LEVEL)

### ERSKINE ONLINE



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#### **ST 790 (Online) Advanced Apologetics & World Religions**

8 weeks, Online 2: 10/18-12/12; Asynchronous, with several voluntary live video conference discussion sessions

Students will pursue advanced readings in classical, modern, and postmodern challenges to the Christian faith, including secularism, scientism, the new atheism, and non-Christian religions. Students will select a significant challenge to the Christian faith, evaluate a key classical or contemporary effort to defend the Christian faith against that challenge, and produce a major research project that demonstrates the student's mature reflections on how to defend the Christian faith against that challenge.



George M. Schwab, Professor of Old Testament  
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#### **BI 502 (Online) Principles of Exegesis**

Full Semester; Asynchronous

This course introduces the student to the principles and practice of exegesis of the Old and New Testaments and surveys the history of the texts and translations of the Bible, as well as the ways the Old and New Testaments have been interpreted by the Church. Passages for exegetical practice are selected from both Testaments.

#### **OT 502 (Online) Old Testament II**

Full Semester; Asynchronous, with several voluntary live video conference discussion sessions

This course traces the history and examines the literature of the Israelite people from the division of the kingdom through the development of Judaism. In this course, the Hebrew poetic and wisdom literature of the Old Testament is studied along with such other topics as the content, interpretation, and the unity of the Old Testament.

#### **OT 773 (Online) Isaiah**

Full Semester; Asynchronous

This course analyzes the prophetic messages in the book of Isaiah, dealing with the critical problems associated with this book, its historical background, and its application to the life of the Christian Church today.



Toney C. Parks, Distinguished Professor of Ministry  
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## PM 705 (Online) Supervised Ministry

Full Semester; some live video conference sessions required

This course offers students the opportunity to work in a structured ministry setting with an approved supervisor. The focus of the learning centers on the student's own learning goals which the student designs with emphasis on spiritual formation, theology, and ministry practice. The classroom sessions help the student integrate theory and practice of ministry by the use of case studies, group interaction, and peer feedback.



Dale W. Johnson, Distinguished Professor of Church History  
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## CH 502 (Online) Reformation & Modern Church History

Full Semester; Asynchronous

This survey course covers the historical, spiritual, and institutional development of western Christianity from the Renaissance to the modern era. Students examine the Protestant reformers, the Counter Reformation, the Enlightenment, Pietism, and the development of evangelicalism.



Mark E. Ross, The First Presbyterian Church - John R. de Witt Chair of Theology  
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## HT 740 (CO&Online) John Calvin

Saturdays: 9:00am-5:00pm; 9/16, 9/30, 10/28, 12/9; in-person and live video conference for distance students

Recognizing the enduring importance of John Calvin's life and thought for the whole Christian Church but especially the Reformed tradition, this course concentrates on the setting in which he worked, the issues he faced, and the theological insights he attained, by the grace of God. A premium is placed on reading Calvin's own works and probing the deeper levels of his theology.

## PM 502 (GVL&Online) Christian Vocation & Transformation

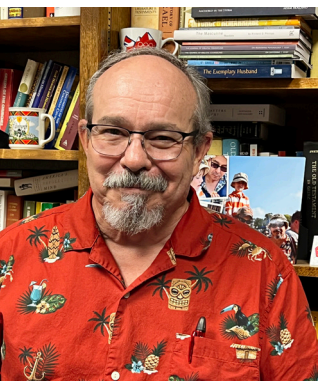
Tuesdays: 6:00pm-9:00pm; in-person and live video conference for distance students

This course introduces students to God's great purpose for the world and our calling to serve that purpose in discipleship for the Church, family, and community. Emphasis is placed upon growing in the grace of God and discerning one's gifts and calling within the service of God.

## ST 602 (CO&Online) Systematic Theology II

Mondays: 6:00pm-9:00pm; in-person and live video conference for distance students

This course continues a systematic presentation of the Christian faith. Using biblical constructs, historical developments, and confessional statements, students explore the doctrine of God, the doctrine of humanity, and the doctrine of Christ.



R.J. Gore, Professor of Systematic Theology  
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## ST 601 (Online) Systematic Theology I

Thursdays: 6:00pm-9:00pm; in-person and live video conference for distance students

This course begins a systematic presentation of the Christian faith. Using biblical constructs, historical developments, and confessional statements, students explore introduction to systematic theology (including concepts, methodology, and systems) and the doctrines of revelation and Scripture.

## WP 551 (Online) Christian Worship

Full Semester; Asynchronous, with several voluntary live video conference discussion sessions

This course is a study of the history, theology, form, and content of Christian worship. Emphasis is placed upon the development and practice of worship in the Protestant tradition. Opportunities are given for practical experience in planning and conducting of services, which include the Lord's Supper, baptism, weddings, funerals, and other elements of the worship of the Church.



John Panagiotou, Adjunct Professor of Greek and Early Church History  
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## GK 501 (Online) Biblical Greek I

Full Semester; Asynchronous, with some live video conference sessions required

This course introduces the fundamentals of New Testament (Koine) Greek grammar. Emphasis is placed on the mastery of vocabulary, morphology, and syntax.



John Paul Marr, Adjunct Professor of Historical Theology  
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## HB 601 (Online) Biblical Hebrew III

Mondays: 6:30pm-9:30pm; meets live online weekly by video conference

Selected readings in the Hebrew Old Testament provide the basis for fostering the student's facility in translation and further familiarity with classical Hebrew grammar.



Brad Anderson, Adjunct Professor of Pastoral and Youth Ministry  
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## PM 725 (CO&Online) Youth Ministry

Tuesdays: 6:00pm-9:00pm; in-person and live video conference for distance students

The course considers theories of adolescence, the history of youth work in the Church, contemporary youth experience, and models of programs and patterns which offer possibilities for the Church in its youth ministry.





Loyd D. Melton, John Montgomery Bell Professor of New Testament  
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## NT 601 (Online) New Testament I

Full Semester; Asynchronous

The course explores the background, literary art, theological teaching, and contemporary message of Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, and Acts. Attention is given to the canonical significance of these writings and to their value for ministry.



Adrian Smith, Associate Professor of Bible and Religion  
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## OT 753 (DW&Online) Psalms

Saturdays: 9:00am-5:00pm; 9/9, 10/7, 11/4, 12/2; in-person and live video conference for distance students

After a survey of the history of the interpretation of the Psalter, special attention is given to examples of the various types of Psalms which have made significant contributions to the Judeo-Christian tradition. Psalms are particularly analyzed for their religious meaning in relation to Christian preaching, teaching, and other aspects of the Church's life.



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## NT 771 (GVL&Online) 1-2 Timothy & Titus

Saturdays: 9:00am-5:00pm; 8/26, 9/23, 10/21, 11/18; in-person and live video conference for distance students

This course examines 1-2 Timothy and Titus. Attention is given to authorship, date, purposes, and the historical circumstances that called forth each letter. Emphasis is placed on discovering the value of the letters for the Church today.



Florica Saracut, Assistant Professor of Christian Education  
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## CE 505 (Online) Christian Education

Saturdays: 9:00am-5:00pm; 8/26, 9/23, 10/21, 11/18; in-person and live video conference for distance students

This basic course in Christian Education deals with the theology and practice of educational ministry in the local church. Biblical and theological foundations for Christian education as a servant ministry for all of the local church's life and mission are examined, and these foundations are developed into models for faithful and intentional educational ministry. Particular attention is given to the responsibilities and opportunities pastors and educators undertake as servant leaders in the Church's educational tasks and ministries, and to the spiritual formation of pastors and educators.